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## **OPERATION FALCON II RESULTS IN ARRESTS OF 109 FUGITIVES IN THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF LOUISIANA**

**NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA** - From April 17 through April 23, 2006, the U. S. Marshals Service (USMS) sponsored **OPERATION FALCON II**, ("Federal and Local Cops Organized Nationally II") a national effort to track down and arrest fugitives. The operation targeted sexual predators, violent offenders, and other fugitive felons who remained undetected and who continued to commit crimes while on the run. The operation coincides with the U.S. Department of Justice's "National Crime Victims' Rights Week." During that week, USMS worked with

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other federal, state, and local law enforcement agencies to target and arrest fugitives across the country. Countless hours and a combined law enforcement effort led to the arrest 9,037 fugitives across the country. Of those arrested, 1,102 were on charges involving sexual offenses.

U. S. Marshal Theophile Duroncelet stated,

“Cooperation and information sharing among law enforcement agencies is what led to the success of **FALCON II**. All of the agencies involved put in long hours from dawn to dusk to get these results. I would like to thank everyone involved with **FALCON II** and remind the public that we will continue with the mission of taking felony fugitives off of the streets of the Eastern District of Louisiana.”

Jim Letten, U. S. Attorney, commenting on the success of **OPERATION FALCON II** in the Eastern District of Louisiana, stated:

“In order to protect the lives, property and safety of our citizens against dangerous offenders, including often violent and dangerous fugitives, it is essential that federal enforcement agencies in seamless cooperation with our state and local partners share critical information and to further coordinate our assistance. I believe that once again, the tangible results of **OPERATION FALCON II**, demonstrates for the citizens we serve that we are effectively doing precisely that. Ultimately, one of the primary goals of our criminal justice efforts is to protect our citizens from becoming victims, while further helping and protecting those who have already been victimized. It is fitting that our cooperative efforts which yield results each day of the year be marked with a highly successful nationwide sweep during National Crime Victims Rights Week. My personal thanks and admiration goes out to U. S. Marshal Theo Duroncelet and the fine members of the U. S. Marshal’s Service, as well as our other partners in federal, state and local agencies upon whom we depend to protect our families, friends and fellow citizens.

In the Eastern District of Louisiana, the U. S. Marshal’s Crescent Star Fugitive Task Force (CSFTF) worked with New Orleans Police Department, Orleans Parish Criminal Sheriff’s Office, St. Charles Parish Sheriff’s Office, Lafourche Parish Sheriff’s Office, St. Tammany Parish Sheriff’s Office, Thibodeaux Police Department, Louisiana Probation and Parole, Federal

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Bureau of Investigation (New Orleans Field Division), Housing and Urban Development Office of Inspector General, Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms, U. S. Coast Guard Investigative Service, and the U. S. Attorney's Office to identify and arrest fugitives across the district. The cooperation that resulted from **FALCON II** in the Eastern District of Louisiana (EDLA) has led to the arrest of 109 fugitives and the clearing of 147 warrants.

There are several local fugitive cases during **FALCON II** which have stood out as significant arrests and which have made an impact toward the reduction of dangerous fugitives roaming the streets.

The first is the case of **DONALD TUCKER**, an escaped fugitive from the Orleans Parish Prison Federal Division. On April 11, 2006, **TUCKER**, 23 years old, escaped from the New Orleans prison where he was awaiting sentencing on a federal carjacking/rape conviction. Through an extensive CSFTF/FBI investigation, he was taken back into federal custody in Houston, Texas during the early morning hours of April 17, 2006, and is considered the EDLA's first **FALCON II** arrest with the assistance of Southern District of Texas, U. S. Marshal's Service Gulf Coast Violent Offenders Task Force (GCVOTF).

On April 21, 2006, **BRANDON PATRICK KENNEDY**, 20 years old, was arrested at his residence in Metairie, by a **FALCON II** team. **KENNEDY** was wanted on an armed robbery warrant from New Orleans. The robbery occurred in February, 2006 in the 3500 block of Prytania St., with the victim being beat with a large wooden board and his wallet being stolen. The victim lost consciousness at the scene and spent several days in the hospital as a result of the

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incident. **KENNEDY** was also wanted on a January 2006 warrant from Jefferson Parish for simple battery.

On April 20, 2006, a **FALCON II** St. Charles Parish Sheriff's Office team arrested **ROOSEVELT INGRAM**, 27 years old, in St. Charles Parish for oral sexual battery and unauthorized entry into a dwelling. The sexual battery charge was the result of an alleged incident with a relative of **INGRAM's**. He observed the **FALCON II** team approaching his residence, and **INGRAM** ran into his FEMA trailer. He then refused to open the door. After a brief standoff, **INGRAM** was forced to exit the FEMA trailer through the use of non-lethal chemical irritants by local law enforcement officers, and was then arrested without incident.

On April 20, 2006, a **FALCON II** team operating with the Lafourche Parish Sheriff's Office arrested **DARIAN MICHAEL THOMPSON**, 28 years old, on a narcotics warrant. At the time of his arrest in Lafourche Parish, he was found in possession of one and a half pounds of marijuana.

On April 19, 2006, a **FALCON II** team arrested **MARK ANTHONY LABORDE**, 37 years old, at his residence in Gretna, on a 2001 warrant out of St. Tammany Parish for failure to register as a sex offender. He had a prior conviction for aggravated oral sexual battery and had moved out of St. Tammany Parish without notifying authorities of his updated address.

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